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Yes, thanks.

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The correlation analysis actually being done for all of the results, for all locations, from both October 2014 and March 2015; the March data is being added into the file from October. The data are being analyzed/grouped by location like last time, but there will be additional groups of locations, and more data points for areas for which we already had data. I'm not sure if this sounds too confusing – does that clarify it?

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Thank you Margaret. One clarification regarding the correlation analysis—is that being done for the “hot spots” that had previously been identified or for results of new testing?

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Hi Commissioner Jeffrey and Haley,

I just wanted to touch base again, now that EPA has had a chance to review the data from the March 2015 sampling and process the information. Considering the newly discovered high lead levels throughout the ball fields, and to hopefully make Monday's conference call more productive, here is an updated list of interim actions that EPA considers to be appropriate for the ball fields:

- Keep the ball fields closed until completion of the removal action. All chain-link fences, including those at the egress points of the field, should be secured and maintained. Inspect the fields on a weekly basis (or more frequently if necessary) to ensure that they remain closed and there is no evidence of field usage. Report all deficiencies and corrective actions to the EPA OSC.
- Provide signage regarding the field closures at all entrances to the fields with language agreed upon by EPA.
- Minimize the potential for public exposure to the unpaved areas of the block outside the fence line (along Lorraine and Bay Streets), via access restriction (fencing) and/or cover of these areas, potentially including mulch, landscaping fabric/tarp or other materials, until completion of the removal action.
- Continue to participate, together with EPA, in communications with elected officials, park users, community groups and the general public regarding the above action items, the ongoing investigation, and the proposed long-term removal. Provide a schedule, contacts and materials for communications to user groups.

Also, an update – we are trying to complete our correlation analysis (especially for the fields south & east of the ball fields) and draft a public fact sheet by the end of this week. I'll pass along the draft fact sheet as soon as it's ready (hopefully before Monday's call) and will keep you posted if there are any other significant updates or info to pass along.

Feel free to get in touch anytime.

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